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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claims 12, 17, 28 and 29. The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1.(original) A colored article comprising:

a substrate selected from flexible film and retroreflective sheeting and a layer comprising the reaction product of:

a hard polymeric component having an elongation up to about 150%;

a soft component having an elongation ranging from about 200% to about 800% after cross-linking;

and a cross-linking agent; and

an ink on said layer; wherein the article exhibits a xy color shift of less than 0.03 after 300 hours of accelerated weathering according to ASTM G 155 Cycle 1.

2. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein said layer is flexible.

3. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein said layer is stain resistant.

4. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein said layer exhibits enhanced surface slip.

5. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the Shore Hardness of the hard component is at least about 40D.

6. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the Shore Hardness of the hard component is at least about 70D.

7. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the hard component comprising a first polyurethane polymer, an acrylic polymer, polymeric polyol or mixture thereof and wherein the hard component has functionality.

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8. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the soft component comprising a second polyurethane polymer having functionality, a polymeric polyol, or mixture thereof.
9. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the hard component is a polyester polyol.
10. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the soft component is a polyester polyol.
11. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the hard component and soft component are thermoplastic.
12. (currently amended) The article of claim 1 wherein the layer further comprises at least one additive selected from the group consisting of an ultraviolet absorber, a light stabilizer, and mixtures thereof.
13. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein said layer is transparent.
14. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein said layer ranges in thickness from about 5 microns to about 125 microns.
15. (original) The article of claim 1 further comprising at least one bonding layer disposed between said layer and the substrate.
16. (original) The article of claim 15 wherein the bonding layer comprises at least one colorant.
17. (currently amended) The article of claim 15 wherein the bonding layer comprises at least one additive selected from the group consisting of an ultraviolet absorber, a light stabilizer, and mixtures thereof.
18. (original) The article of claim 1 further comprising a color layer.

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19. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the article comprises a fluorescent colorant.
20. (original) A colored article comprising:
a substrate selected from flexible film and retroreflective sheeting and a layer comprising the reaction product of
 a hard component having an elongation up to about 150%;
 a soft component having an elongation ranging from about 200% to about 600% after cross-linking;
 and a cross-linking agent;
wherein said layer is printable and exhibits a xy color shift of less than 0.03 after 300 hours of accelerated weathering according to ASTM G 155 Cycle 1.
21. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein said layer is flexible.
22. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein said layer is stain resistant.
23. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein said layer exhibits enhanced surface slip.
24. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein said layer is transparent.
25. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein said layer ranges in thickness from about 5 microns to about 125 microns.
26. (original) The article of claim 20 further comprising at least one bonding layer disposed between said printable layer and the substrate.
27. (original) The article of claim 20 wherein the bonding layer comprises at least one colorant.

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28. (currently amended) The article of claim 20 wherein the bonding layer comprises at least one additive selected from the group consisting of an ultraviolet absorber, a light stabilizer, and mixtures thereof.

29. (currently amended) The article of claim 20 wherein the layer comprises at least one additive selected from the group consisting of an ultraviolet absorber, a light stabilizer, and mixtures thereof.

30. (original) The article of claim 20 further comprising a color layer.

31. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the article comprises a fluorescent colorant.